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FINANCING OF THE UNITED NATIONS TRANSITIONAL AUTHORITY IN CAMBODIA

Report of the Fifth Committee (part II)

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I. INTRODUCTION

1. The recommendations previously made by the Fifth Committee to the General Assembly under agenda item 146 appear in the Committee's reports (A/46/823 and Add.1) and the recommendations under agenda item 148 appear in the Committee's report (A/46/879).

2. At its 64th and 65th meetings, on 20 and 21 May 1992, the Fifth Committee considered the report of the Secretary-General on the financing of the United Nations Advance Mission in Cambodia and on the financing of the United Nations Transitional Authority in Cambodia (A/46/903) and the related report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions (A/46/916).

II. CONSIDERATION OF DRAFT RESOLUTION A/C.5/46/L.25

3. At its 65th meeting, on 21 May, the Chairman introduced and orally revised draft resolution A/C.5/46/L.25.

4. At the same meeting, the Committee adopted draft resolution A/C.5/46/L.25, as orally revised, without a vote. The representative of Portugal made a statement, following the adoption of the resolution, on behalf of the 12 member States of the European Community.

5. Statements and observations made in the course of the Committee's consideration of this item are reflected in the relevant summary records (see A/C.5/46/SR.64 and 65).

III. RECOMMENDATION OF THE FIFTH COMMITTEE

6. The Fifth Committee recommends to the General Assembly the adoption of the following draft resolution:

Financing of the United Nations Advance Mission in Cambodia and financing of the United Nations Transitional Authority in Cambodia

The General Assembly,

Recalling its resolutions 46/18 of 20 November 1991, 46/198 A of 20 December 1991 and 46/198 B and 46/222 of 14 February 1992,

Bearing in mind Security Council resolutions 717 (1991) of 16 October 1991, by which the Council established the United Nations Advance Mission in Cambodia and 728 (1992) of 8 January 1992, by which the Council approved the proposal of the Secretary-General to expand the mandate of the Advance Mission, especially the provision of assistance in mine clearing by Cambodians,

Bearing in mind also Security Council resolutions 718 (1991) of 31 October 1991, by which the Council expressed its support for the agreements on a comprehensive political settlement of the Cambodia conflict, signed in Paris on 23 October 1991, 1/ and 745 (1992) of 28 February 1992, by which the Council established the United Nations Transitional Authority in Cambodia in accordance with the report of the Secretary-General of 19 February 1992 2/ for a period not to exceed eighteen months,

Having considered the report of the Secretary-General on the financing of the United Nations Advance Mission in Cambodia and the financing of the United Nations Transitional Authority in Cambodia 3/ and the related report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions, 4/

1/ See A/46/608-S/23177, annex.

2/ S/23613.

3/ A/46/903.

4/ A/46/916.

Noting that the budgetary estimates for the Advance Mission and for the Transitional Authority as contained in the report of the Secretary-General amount to 1,721,596,700 dollars gross (1,699,512,600 dollars net) for the period from 1 November 1991 to 31 July 1993,

Noting also that the duration of the mandate of the Advance Mission extended from the signature of the agreements in Paris until the establishment of the Transitional Authority by the Security Council, at which time the Advance Mission was absorbed into the Transitional Authority,

Recognizing that the costs of the Advance Mission and of the Transitional Authority, as indicated in paragraph 7 of the report of the Secretary-General, are expenses of the Organization to be borne by Member States in accordance with Article 17, paragraph 2, of the Charter of the United Nations,

Recognizing also that, in order to meet the expenditures caused by the Advance Mission and the Transitional Authority, a different procedure is required from the one applied to meet expenditures of the regular budget of the United Nations,

Taking into account the fact that the economically more developed countries are in a position to make relatively larger contributions and that the economically less developed countries have a relatively limited capacity to contribute towards such operations,

Bearing in mind the special responsibilities of the States that are permanent members of the Security Council, as indicated in General Assembly resolution 1874 (S-IV) of 27 June 1963, in the financing of such operations,

Mindful of the fact that it is essential to provide the Advance Mission and the Transitional Authority with the necessary financial resources to enable them to fulfil their responsibilities under the relevant resolutions of the Security Council,

1. Endorses the observations and recommendations contained in the report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions; 4/

2. Urges all Member States to make every possible effort to ensure payment of their assessed contributions to the Advance Mission and to the Transitional Authority in full and on time;

3. Requests the Secretary-General to consolidate the special account for the Advance Mission into the special account for the Transitional Authority;

4. Decides, at this stage, to appropriate, in accordance with the recommendation contained in paragraph 78 of the report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions, 4/ an amount of 606,000,000 United States dollars gross (600,000,000 dollars net) for the operation of the Transitional Authority through 31 October 1992, in addition

to the total amount of 233,576,200 dollars gross (233,171,300 dollars net) already appropriated for the Advance Mission and the Transitional Authority by the General Assembly in its resolutions 46/198 A and B and 46/222;

5. Decides also, as an ad hoc arrangement, to apportion the amount of 606,000,000 dollars gross (600,000,000 dollars net) among Member States in accordance with the composition of groups set out in paragraphs 3 and 4 of General Assembly resolution 43/232 of 1 March 1989, as adjusted by the Assembly in its resolutions 44/192 B of 21 December 1989, 45/269 of 27 August 1991 and 46/198 A of 20 December 1991, and taking into account the scale of assessments for the years 1992, 1993 and 1994; 5/

6. Requests the Secretary-General to report to the General Assembly at its forty-seventh session on anomalies in the allocation of countries to the four groups contained in General Assembly resolution 43/232, as adjusted by the Assembly in its resolutions 44/192 B and 45/269 and 46/198 A and applied as an ad hoc arrangement to the financing of the Transitional Authority, taking into account resolution 46/206 of 20 December 1991 and other relevant resolutions of the General Assembly, including resolution 3101 (XXVIII) of 11 December 1973;

7. Decides that, in accordance with the provisions of its resolution 973 (X) of 15 December 1955, there shall be set off against the apportionment among Member States, as provided for in paragraph 5 above, their respective share in the Tax Equalization Fund of the estimated staff assessment income of 6,000,000 dollars approved for UNAMIC and UNTAC;

8. Decides also to consider the contributions of Armenia, Azerbaijan, Kazakhstan, Kyrgystan, the Republic of Moldova, San Marino, Tajikistan, Turkmenistan and Uzbekistan to the Advance Mission and to the Transitional Authority in accordance with the rates of assessment to be adopted for these Member States by the General Assembly at the forty-seventh session;

9. Invites the new Member States listed in paragraph 8 of the present resolution to make advance payments against their assessed contributions to be determined;

10. Reiterates the need for increased use of civilian personnel in relevant sectors of peace-keeping operations from Governments, as called for in its resolutions 44/192 A of 21 December 1989 and 45/258 of 3 May 1991, and requests the Secretary-General to encourage the participation of such personnel in the Transitional Authority in its civilian components in accordance with the recommendations contained in paragraphs 24 and 25 of the report of the Advisory Committee; 4/

5/ See resolution 46/221 A.

11. Takes note of the views expressed by the Secretary-General in paragraph 46 of his report 3/ with respect to the repatriation programme to be undertaken by the Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees, and, since the implementation and integrity of the electoral process is dependent upon the prior repatriation of Cambodian refugees, calls upon Member States and others to make voluntary contributions in support of the repatriation programme;

12. Calls upon Member States and others to make voluntary contributions to the rehabilitation programme referred to in paragraph 47 of the report of the Secretary-General;

13. Invites voluntary contributions to the Transitional Authority in cash and in the form of services and supplies acceptable to the Secretary-General, to be administered, as appropriate, in accordance with the procedure established by the General Assembly in its resolutions 43/230 of 21 December 1988, 44/192 A and 45/258;

14. Requests the Secretary-General to take all necessary action to ensure that the Transitional Authority is administered with a maximum of efficiency and economy;

15. Requests the Secretary-General to submit to the General Assembly, not later than at its forty-seventh session, a report on such additional requirements as may be necessary and to include in the report detailed and up-to-date information on the performance of the Transitional Authority;

16. Decides to include in the provisional agenda of its forty-seventh session the item entitled "Financing of the United Nations Transitional Authority in Cambodia".